

ACCORDING TO CLYDE

everyone from Ohio reads Archie comics.
Clyde is from Ohio &
hasn't been back to the states for 15 years.
he is ever ready for a blast,
but usually he ends up holding the shards
of everyone else's brilliant ideas:
he's the kid in grade school that everyone
knows will come with them to the deli &
pilfer half a dozen Milky Ways. and Clyde is
usually the guy who gets caught & stays quiet.
Clyde is from Ohio & his character is mythic.
two months ago he bought a diamond ring from
a spade who was returning to the states &
needed the cash. the ring had originally
been purchased from an ad in a comic book
for \$150. Clyde had seen the ad himself.
he paid \$50 for the jewel & after washing
his hands three times the diamond turned black.
indeed, Clyde is a rare find.

-- John Kay

Bad Kreuznach, Germany

DACOITS

Reaching the bridge beyond Morena,
in that region of sinister ravines
between Agra and Gwalior,
we found a large flock of sheep
blocking the road.

A shepherd leant
over the parapet, gazing
at something in the river below.
As we slowly came abreast
of him he turned to us and pointed:
'Dacoits. Three of them. The police
shot them less than an hour ago.'

From his slow casual manner
he might have been talking of rabbits.
Certainly the bullet-torn
bodies had the same vacant
innocence of slaughtered animals.

Two of them were floating face
downward in the shallow water.

The third sprawled on his back
in the reeds. He was no more
than twenty, and seemed to be gaping
towards the bridge, not with fear,
but with utter astonishment
that such disaster could happen to him.

KAMA SUTRA

This is a book for the specialist
or the enthusiast. It is for those
for whom the yoni and the lingam are
the adored objects of constant delight
and continuous research.

It is for those who will find nail and teeth marks,
the many kisses and artificial devices,
no less absorbing than the eight stages
of oral congress, the sixty-four arts
and the eighty-four postures.

This book is not for the half-hearted,
for those who like everything easy.
It is not for the ethereal or over-modest,
for those who lack dedication or have
little taste for the subject.

Nor is a great deal of it, my darling,
now that we have grown a little fatter
and slightly more lazy than the gods
prescribe, for you and me.

-- Raymond Tong

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LITERARY NOTES:.....

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